

Final Minutes  
Registration Review Workgroup  
Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee  
January 6, 2004 Teleconference

Participants

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Introduction and Background. Jay Ellenberger announced that Susan Lewis of SRRD has replaced Betty Shackelford as Co-Chair of the workgroup. Jay summarized the workgroup's achievements, as presented at the October 2003 PPDC meeting.

Mission of the PPDC Registration Review Workgroup. The workgroup will continue to develop recommendations and advice for the PPDC to offer to the Agency regarding the design of the registration review program. The workgroup's goal is to develop advice and recommendations on 4 or five issues to present at the next PPDC meeting (to be held in spring of 2004). EPA will consider the PPDC's views when developing proposed procedural regulations for the registration review program. EPA's goal is to issue final regulations and have the registration review program in place by the summer of 2006.

Schedule for Workgroup Meetings and Teleconferences. The Workgroup tentatively agreed to have a face to face meeting at the end of January. EPA will poll members by e-mail regarding their availability for a meeting in late January. A schedule for subsequent meetings and teleconferences will be discussed at that meeting.

Issues for Workgroup Consideration. Jay Ellenberger suggested 4 issues for the workgroup to consider and workgroup members added a fifth issue, as follows:

1) What action initiates a pesticide's registration review?

- 2) The Agency wants to receive information relating to the risk of a pesticide (e.g., use information, exposure data, studies on environmental or health effects) before it begins a pesticide's registration review. What concerns do registrants and other stakeholders have regarding the provision of such information and how can these concerns be accommodated?
- 3) How to develop cost estimates for the registration review program?
- 4) What are the potential benefits of the registration review program?
- 5) What is a registration review decision?

Jay Ellenberger and Susan Lewis agreed to provide workgroup members with a short paragraph on each of these issues to clarify what we believe the issue is and what it might expect from the workgroup.

The workgroup agreed that these issues could be discussed by subgroups who would then present their findings to the entire workgroup. Workgroup members agreed to notify Jay and Susan regarding the issues they wish to work on.